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In response to the Notice Under 37 CFR 1.251 dated May 12, 2005 (copy enclosed), the Applicants submit herewith a copy of the Claim to Priority filed on July 30, 2003. Also enclosed is a certified copy of the foreign application to which the above-identified application claims priority.

The Applicants confirm that the enclosed copies are complete and accurate copies of the papers requested in the enclosed Notice Under 37 CFR 1.251. No official fees should be due since these papers were originally filed on July 30, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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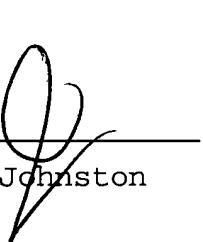
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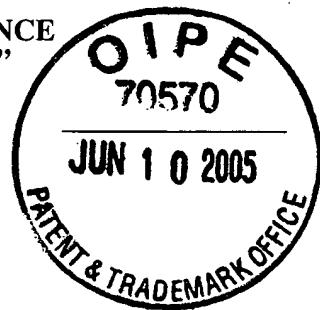
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